COACHELLA VALLEY ENTERPRISE ZONE SEPTEMBER 27, 2006

A RESOLUTION OF THE COACHELLA VALLEY ENTERPRISE ZONE SUPPORTING THE SALTON SEA AUTHORITY PLAN FOR RESTORING AND REVITALIZING THE SALTON SEA

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea provides important wildlife, tourism and recreational resources in the Coachella Valley; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea provides expansive future wildlife, recreational and economic opportunities for the Coachella Valley; and

WHEREAS, reduced inflows and pending water transfers have increasingly threatened the unparalleled wildlife and other resources at the Sea; and

WHEREAS, diminishing water and wildlife values at the Sea will threaten our unduplicated quality of life and economy; and

WHEREAS, the Coachella Valley Enterprise Zone has reviewed and considered proposed alternatives for restoring and revitalizing the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the Coachella Valley Enterprise Zone finds that the Salton Sea Authority Conceptual Plan best meets the need to provide wildlife habitats, improve water quality, protect air quality and add to the economic viability in our region; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Conceptual Plan also creates major recreational and economic opportunities in the Coachella and Imperial Valleys; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority Conceptual Plan best meets the needs of the Coachella Valley Enterprise Zone, its constituents, and those living and working in the Coachella Valley; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority Conceptual Plan is superior to other alternatives that the State of California and the U.S. Department of

Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, are considering during their programmatic EIR and alternatives study; and

WHEREAS, the Coachella Valley Enterprise Zone understands that prior to the formal adopting or implementation of any restoration plan, the Salton Sea Authority will cause any project to undergo a thorough and environmental analysis pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Coachella Valley Enterprise Zone:

- Supports the "Salton Authority Conceptual Plan for Multi-Purpose Project" as the preferred plan for restoration and revitalization of the Salton Sea; and
- Encourages the State of California and the Department of interior to select the Salton Sea Authority Conceptual Plan as their preferred alternative for Salton Sea restoration and revitalization; and
- Encourages cities, counties and other entities to join in supporting the Salton Sea Authority Conceptual Plan.

this 27th day of September, 2006.

Chairman of the Board

Coachella Valley Enterprise Zone